

REMARKS

Because this is a Final Office Action Applicant responds within two months, by April 4, 2010, so that the Examiner is required to issue an Advisory Action or a Notice of Allowance. Claims 1-13 are pending. Claim 1 is rejected, and claims 2-13 are objected to. Claims 2-13 are only objected to as being dependent upon a rejected independent claim. These claims are otherwise allowable. In the interest of advancing prosecution, Applicant hereby changes “a computer medium” to “a computer-readable medium” in claim 1. No issue of new matter arises as one of ordinary skill in the art readily appreciates inherent support in the specification. Also, Applicants combine claims 1 and 3 to further distinguish the present invention over the prior art. Further, Applicants make the minor changes of i) changing “additionally” to “further” in claim 2 to adopt more preferred United States claim language, and ii) changing claim 4 to depend from claim 2 rather than the now canceled claim 3.

Rejection under 35 USC 112, first paragraph

The Examiner rejects claim 1 as allegedly not described by the specification because of the term “a computer medium.” In order to advance prosecution, Applicant removes the phrase “a computer medium” from the claims. As such, the rejection is rendered moot.

Rejection under 35 USC 101

The Examiner rejects claim 1 as allegedly embracing subject matter that may not be patented because it does not define “a computer medium.” In order to advance prosecution, Applicant removes the phrase “a computer medium” from the claims. As such, the rejection is rendered moot.

Rejection under 35 USC 102

The Examiner rejects claim 1 as allegedly anticipated by Hampton *et al.*, U.S. Patent 6,252,522. The Examiner was not receptive to the arguments and explanations provided in our last Amendment. The Examiner maintains that Hampton *et al.* teach all of the claim limitations.

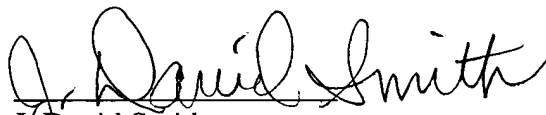
Applicant herein combines claim 3 and claim 1 in order to further distinguish the present invention from the prior art. As the Examiner admits, Hampton *et al.* do not teach the

subject matter of claim 3. Therefore, Applicant submits that the rejection of all the pending claims is hereby overcome by virtue of this amendment alone.

Conclusion

Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance. Expedient acknowledgement as such is earnestly requested. If any issues may be resolved by telephone, please call the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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